

## United States Border Patrol San Diego Sector Public Information Office 2411 Boswell Road San Diego, California 91914-3519 (619) 216-4182



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## U.S. Border Patrol Citizens' Academy

## Community invited to learn more about the USBP

**San Diego, California** – The U.S. Border Patrol will be holding two sessions of its upcoming "Citizens' Academy" and invites those interested to take advantage of the opportunity to learn more about the Border Patrol and the San Diego Sector.

"The Citizens' Academy provides the community with a unique perspective of the 'how' and 'why' we operate the way we do," said San Diego Sector Chief William Veal.

Participants will gain insight into the mission, roles, and specific areas of training that Border Patrol agents and INS officers receive. Topics to be covered include Border Patrol/INS history, immigration and criminal law, civil rights, agency policies, operations, and the policies pertaining to the use of firearms. Participants will attend a "muster" meeting, observe local operations, and receive an area tour.

The Academy is open to interested individuals 18 years of age and older. Sessions will meet two to three hours a night, once a week, for up to eight weeks. One session will be held at the Border Patrol headquarters in Chula Vista, while the other will be held at the San Clemente Station in San Clemente. Admission is free but space is limited. Participants will be selected on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For more information, contact the Border Patrol's Public Information Office at (619)216-4182 or fax a letter of interest to (619) 216-4047.

**DATES:** Sept. 18 – Oct. 24

**TIME:** 6:00 pm

**LOCATIONS:** Sector HQ – 2411 Boswell Rd, Chula Vista, CA 91914

San Clemente Station – Interstate 5, mile marker 67.5, San Onofre truck

scales, San Clemente, CA 92627

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